

## RANK AND FILE PLEADS FOR MILITARY PRISONERS

Executive clemency is requested for persons convicted by courts-martial and under the espionage act, in a letter to President Wilson from the executive committee of the Rank and File Veterans' Association, made public yesterday. The letter, signed by S. Lovenheim, chairman of the committee, asked that clemency be extended to military prisoners where moral turpitude is not involved, and all political offenders.

### WOMEN CLERKS TO MEET.

The Women Retail Clerks Protective Association will hold a meeting at 7:30 o'clock this evening in Room 405, 1423 New York avenue northwest.

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## OIL MAGNATE GAVE PALMER \$10,000

Joseph F. Guffey Backs Attorney General's Candidacy. Manager Is Attorney.

The largest contributor to Palmer's campaign fund is Joseph F. Guffey, Pittsburgh oil millionaire, who sold his oil concessions in Mexico from him shortly before his recent downfall.

These facts were established today by the testimony before the Senate committee investigating pre-convention campaign expenditures and contributions, by former Congressman C. C. Carlin, of Alexandria, Va. Carlin is manager of Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer's Presidential boom.

It was developed that Guffey, who visited Mexico not long before Carranza was overthrown, was closely associated with Palmer as a personal friend and political lieutenant in Pennsylvania politics.

Backed by Palmer.

Upon Guffey's return from Mexico recently he issued a public statement which was "most complimentary to Carranza," Carlin testified.

Guffey, backed by Palmer, won out in the recent Pennsylvania primary as a candidate for Democratic national committee from that State to succeed Palmer.

He is slated to sit in the Democratic National Committee as Palmer's successor.

Carlin said Guffey had given \$10,000 to Palmer's campaign fund, the total contributions to which amounted to \$59,610.

Grilled by Reed.

Grilled by Senator Reed, Democrat, of Missouri, and Senator Kenyon, Republican, of Iowa, Carlin displayed considerable uneasiness as he admitted he was counsel for H. S. Dupuy, a wealthy Pittsburgh steel magnate, who was chairman of the Crucible Steel Company when that corporation was charged by the Government with defrauding it of \$10,000,000 in income taxes.

Carlin testified the Crucible Steel Company had since made restitution to the Government of \$9,000,000.

He said he had no connection with the steel company's case, but represented Dupuy and his wife when they were accused by the internal revenue office of not making complete returns of their own income taxes.

Carlin explained Dupuy had only accounted for \$36,000. The Government as a result of its investigation of the steel company's tax returns, claimed Dupuy owed \$1,500,000 and his wife \$150,000. There was also an additional Government claim of \$1,500,000 in penalties pending against Dupuy, Carlin stated.

D. M. Kelleher, special assistant to Attorney General Palmer and formerly a law partner of Senator Kenyon, was handling the steel company's case for the Attorney General's office, Carlin said.

Carlin claimed he knew nothing about the steel company's case, but was only acting as personal counsel for Dupuy and his wife in the case.

the Government had pending against them.

Quite as Chairman.

Dupuy, since the Government charged the steel company with defrauding it of \$10,000,000 in income taxes, had quit as chairman of its board of directors because of ill health, which necessitated his undergoing an operation, Carlin declared, and Dupuy's "enemies" were now in control of the company.

Carlin, with manifest reluctance, admitted Dupuy was chairman of the company's board of directors when the company was charged with defrauding the Government.

It was when internal revenue agents were delving into the company's books to determine whether it had made a complete tax return that the Government case against Dupuy and his wife was started, Carlin admitted.

He denied any criminal proceedings had been started against Dupuy and his wife.

No Talk With Palmer.

"Is not the question of criminal proceedings still open?" demanded Senator Kenyon.

"Yes," but does the Senator not know that under the statute the settlement of money in a case like this is understood to oblate the necessity of criminal proceedings?

"Has your connection with the Dupuy case affected your relations with Mr. Palmer?" asked Senator Pomeroy, Democrat, of Ohio.

"Not at all," Carlin answered. "Have you talked with Mr. Palmer about the Dupuy case?" Senator Kenyon asked.

"No, but I have talked with Mr. Kelleher, the special assistant to the attorney general, once," Carlin replied.

Carlin also admitted Dupuy had employed Bruce F. Sterling, Palmer's campaign manager in Pennsylvania, as counsel.

"What was the reason for that?" asked Senator Kenyon.

"Mr. Sterling's law firm is well known in Pittsburgh, where Mr. Dupuy resides," replied Carlin.

**TAKE UP WORLD COURT PLANS AT HAGUE JUNE 11**

Root to Represent U. S. When Justice Board of Nations League Convenes.

The League of Nations commission on plans for the formation of an international court of justice will meet in open session in the Peace Palace at The Hague June 11, the American minister to the Netherlands advised the State Department today.

Great Britain, Japan, Belgium, Brazil, Holland, Spain, and Yugoslavia will have official representatives. Elihu Root, former Secretary of State of the United States, will attend.

**CHICAGO'S "400" TOO WET.**

CHICAGO, May 26.—Scores of persons of the highest standing in Chicago's business and social life are involved in the activities of the "million dollar whiskey trust" exposed here several days ago and disclosures expected to "rock the country" will be made in the near future, it was declared by prohibition enforcement officials in presenting evidence against the alleged rum ring before a Federal grand jury.

## JONES BILL STARTS NEW SHIPPING FIGHT

"Joker" in Measure Would Allow Board to Sell All But the Navy.

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That is the only way to maintain adequate purely American merchant marine.

Congressman John I. Nolan, Labor-Republican of California:

"I always have been in favor of the Government retaining its fleet and letting the private shipping interests build up their merchant marine. By operating its own fleet, the Government could establish a fair schedule of rates and make it the standard for the merchant marine of the world."

Congressman Rufus Hardy, Democrat, of North Dakota:

"The farmers of the country are strongly opposed to the proposed sale of the Government's ships. They demand that they be retained and operated in the interest of the public, whose money has been spent without stint in their construction."

"If all these ships are returned to the Shipping Trust, or sold to foreign countries, there will be no real competition and it will affect the prices of all necessities of life in the same manner that the increase in freight rates will."

Congressman Rufus Hardy, Democrat, of Texas, a member of the House Merchant Marine Committee and one of the conferees on the shipping bill:

"This legislation will force the sale of the cream of the Government's ships at a song. I have charged on the floor of the House, and it still is true, that strong influences have been at work to bring about just such a result."

"The country for several months has been flooded with propaganda designed to create the impression that American ship operators cannot compete with foreign companies because of higher wages which have to be paid to American crews. I know of my own personal knowledge that this is not true."

"My proposal has been that the Government retain and operate its ships until conditions have become normal again."

**ODELL'S BRIDE ON TRIAL FOR SLAYING 'OTHER MAN'**

Court Excludes Spectators While Jury Is Being Drawn—Hard Fight Expected.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 26.—The trial of Pearl Bever Odell for the murder of Edward J. Kneip, who was slain on the Mosquito Point road in February, began before Supreme Court Justice Robert F. Thompson today. James Odell, the defendant's husband, already is in the death house at Sing Sing awaiting execution for participation in the slaying of Kneip.

Visitors who thronged the courtroom to listen to the examination of talesmen were disappointed when, at the opening of the court, Judge Thompson ordered all spectators excluded from the room during the examination of the jury.

Attorney Louis E. Fuller, counsel for Mrs. Odell, will make a determined fight to save his client from the chair. It is believed that the defense will make a plea for sympathy because of Mrs. Odell's approaching motherhood, one of the chief points of its case.

It is not thought likely that James Odell will be brought here to testify at the trial.

**TO SPEAK AT HOWARD.**

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, of the Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will deliver the commencement address at the graduation exercises of Howard University, Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

**DR. TUPPER TO LECTURE.**

"The Ruin of Ruts and Routine," will be the subject of an address by Dr. Henry Allen Tupper, at the First Baptist Church, Sixteenth and O streets northwest, this evening. Supper will precede the lecture.

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## URNS PREACHER TO RUN DOWN NEGRO CRIMINAL

Detective Holds Camp Meeting, Converts Fugitive's Wife, Gets Reward on Her Clues.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 26.—Details came out today regarding the apprehension of Grant Smith, a negro from Fleming county, who was later taken from Chief of Police Fred Link of Paris and lynched by a number of Fleming county citizens.

Shortly after the crime Smith disappeared. A negro detective in Zanesville, Ohio, learning that a reward of \$500 had been posted for the negro, set out for Fleming county as a revivalist preacher and held a big camp meeting. The negroes flocked to the meetings, and scores were converted. The detective secured lodging at the home of Grant Smith's wife, who had become one of his fervent converts.

One night the "preacher" asked her about her husband and she related the full story of his crime.

After praying for his preacher-detective was shown a photograph of Smith, which he begged to keep, saying possibly he might run across him some day and would try to convert him. The wife gave him the picture, and a letter from her husband sent from Pontiac, Mich. The "preacher" went to Pontiac and got the \$500 reward.

**ADVISES LARGER CROPS TO LOWER LIVING COSTS**

Increased production of food stuff is the only hope for decreased costs, Secretary of Agriculture Meredith stated today in a telegram to the Missouri Bankers' Association.

"The increased demand for food by our increasing population must be met in the future largely by producing more per acre," Secretary Meredith said. "Unless this is secured through the more general adoption of improved methods, the increased production will result in ever-increasing cost per unit of production."

THE old legend of the wolf that suckled Romulus finds a parallel in Canada, where ordinary tabby cats mother young silver foxes. Mother foxes fear the ranchmen and hide their young, so the "babies" are taken at birth and given to cats for six weeks.



## THREE CONVICTS ESCAPE FROM STATE PRISON

BOSTON, May 26.—Herman Barney, who was sentenced to State prison for life for the murder of Patrolman Charles Devinger in this city in February, 1919; Harry Manstir, serving a life sentence for the murder of Patrolman Joseph Riser in this city a year and a half ago, and Charles Ward, a negro, serving a twenty-year sentence, escaped from the State prison in the Charlestown district late last night by scaling the walls.

## JILTED GIRL WINS SUIT AGAINST FORMER YANK

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., May 26.—A verdict of \$352.50 for plaintiff in the breach of promise suit brought by Miss Mildred A. Dunn, of Port Jervis, against Earl William Kellam, that city, was returned yesterday by a jury in Goshen. Miss Dunn placed her claim at \$25,000, but declared before the verdict was rendered that all she cared for was a vindication. The defendant is an ex-soldier who served in France.

## ANTI-PROFITEERING LAW UPHELD BY N. Y. JUDGE

Court Sustains Lever Act Amendment in Price Gouging Case Decision.

SYRACUSE, May 26.—Judge Martin T. Manton of the United States court of appeals, yesterday declared the Lever act amendment under which profiteering indictment have been of tained, to be entirely constitutional. In taking this stand Judge Manton dismissed demurrers which had been filed by Weed's, Inc., of Binghamton to its indictment on eight counts for profiteering and ordered that Weed proceed to trial here at once.

Judge Manton was one of three judges of the circuit court of appeal before whom arguments as to the constitutionality of the Lever act amendment were argued ten days ago in New York. No decision was announced by the circuit court as body. Judge Manton said today the decision of that body is being written.

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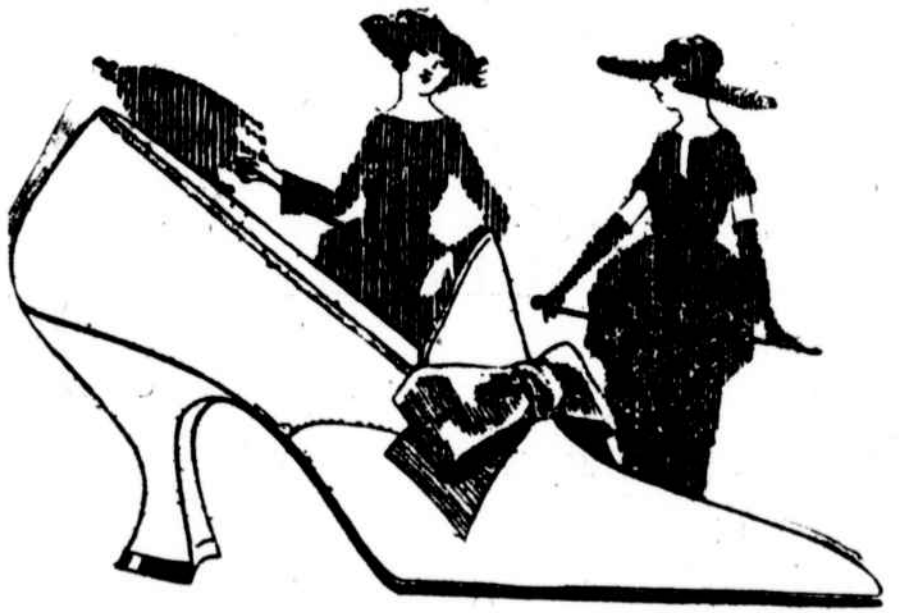
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